



The News Organ of the Capital City Squares
A Member Club of the IAGSDC

Giving and Remembering

Joel Dawes and Roy Frisch were members and officers of Capital City Squares for many years. Each year they had a Christmas party to which anyone invited was supposed to bring a present for a boy and a present for a girl to put under their tree. These presents were one's admission to the party. The membership of Capital City Squares was invited to this party every year along with many other friends of Joel and Roy. Michael and I went to some of these parties years before we even thought of becoming square dancers. After the party Joel and Roy would gather up all the gifts, sometimes more than a truck full, and take them to the Children's Receiving Home of Sacramento at 3555 Auburn Blvd. in Sacramento.

Both Joel and Roy died in 1989, so when Christmas time came around, the Board decided to continue their charity with a gift of \$300 dollars memory of them. This year the Board will continue this \$300.00 dollar gift and will have a money tree at the December 8th Hoedown for additional personal donations. In addition, we encourage CCS members to bring unwrapped gifts to the hoedown to carry on the spirit of love and giving begun by Joel and Roy so many years ago.

The Children's Receiving Home has at present 60 children in the following age ranges:

2-3 years old — 5 girls and 6 boys; 4-6 years old — 10 girls and 13 boys; 7-12 years old — 8 girls and 7 boys; 13-17 years old — 10 girls and 1 boy.

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(Bleh!, another page of chatter...

Didn't we have Fun this last month?! November was one helluva month, but it was a lot of fun for all of us. And it [the fun] ain't over yet!:

December 7th — WSD's Christmas Dance in S.F. at 1st Unitarian Church (O'Farrell & Franklin). Judging by the frolic there throughout November in S.F. (here, I refer to square dancing, tho' other sorts of "frolic" precluded attendance a levery dance by everyone ... ahem ...), this Christmas Dance oughta be superb! Let's get over there.

SACRAMENTO, SATURDAY, DECEMBER 8, 1 pm to 10 pm!! Joe Kula will be putting us thru our traces (harnesses? oooh Daddy!) in workshops and a hoedown — there's also a potluck to put our gastro-intestinal tracts to work (pigout!). This is a wonderful occasion to put what you've learned to work! Bring friends and family and have a great time! See the flyer for details. C'mon, Let's Dance!

Remember that the Club is donating to the Children's Receiving Home again this year. We are also going to have a "money tree" and a gift collection at the hoedown. (Should you choose to

bring a gift, please, donot wrap it!) A listing of the ages/sex of the kids there is elsewhere in this issue.

Advance Notice — Remember, too, that we are not dancing December 25th or January 1st (ignore the dates previously listed) and not just because Bill and Michael are in Hawaii!! The facility is closed until January 2nd, so we'll pick up again on the 8th.

January 18–20 — For those who need a trip to Arizona, Desert Valley Squares is having their "Swing Thru Arizona."

February 2nd, Saturday, Sacramento: Capital City Squares hosts another All-Day-Do (please don't confuse that with do-pa-so or do-si-do!). More to come on that — but it'll be similar to December 8th but with Jett Roberts.

CAST A SHADOW IN THE SUN — 1991 IAGSDC CONVENTION IN MIAAAMI!! Registration materials are included in this issue and can also be picked up at dance nights (and I hope the Sheraton isn't upset that we turned the 'envelop' into a 'page' ...). I've had a few questions on co-ordinating travel there & back - what I need is a VOLUNTEER TO HEAD UP EFFORTS ON TRAVEL TO THE CONVEN-TION!!! (was that too subtle?!) Really consider going to this you won't believe the Fun you'll

Other? Believe it or not, that's about it for now!! I hope yer all havin' fun learnin' to dance! I'm having a good time "waving the baton" (mostly). I'm glad yer

here; I'm glad to get to know you and to dance with you.

A HOLIDAY SENTIMENT:

May the holidays bring you quiet happiness, exuberant joy, and a glistening perspective of the good things life includes. Be happy, be healthy, be generous with yourself and to yourself. Be good to those around you: give a kind word, a hug, a touch — and let that bring you a good start to a good, new year.

We are in this life together — and I'm glad for that!

Se ya dancin'

& George

(P.S.: Re the previous newsletter P.S. — I got third; barely beating out Tom ...)



December Board Minutes

November 28, 1990

The meeting was called to order at 6:35 pm. Present were Kris, Cindy, Mary Jo, Rich, Rick, Bill, George, and David. Angle (as always) acted as hostess, and the Board learned something very interesting about David L. on Wednesday night. He is cruel to animals! Angle greeted him and begged prettily for a morsel of food while David stuffed his mouth with spinach dip and smiled at her.

Then on to the 1st item on the agenda. Mary Jo presented the gift list supplied by the Children's Receiving Home. Bill will publish it in the next newsletter. Mary Jo will contact the director of the home after the hoedown to set up a time to deliver the donations. There will be a "money tree" at the hoedown for donations.

Next, there was a request (in absentia) from our party chairman for money (for decorations, of course). The Board OK'd an advance for Kenric, and he will submit receipts.

The next presentation was by Cindy. She has completed a list of the "dangles" the Club might wish to have on hand. The initial outlay would be approximately #360.00, but much of this would be recovered as club members purchase dangles [fun badges]. David L. kindly volunteered to design a special "Anniversary Dangle" for our 10th anniversary

dance and retreat. The Club will order the dangles once David has completed his design. The Book of Dangles will also be available for individual orders.

The Board then discussed upcoming nominations for Board members. There was a suggestion that we create a nomination form with the nominee's name and a signature of acceptance by the nominee. Various pros and cons were bounced back and forth, and it was decided that we will table this and discuss it again closer to election time.

George brought up the fact that David C. and his mom, Marian, have graciously offered their home in Stockton for a January Potluck. The Board thought perhaps January 19th would be an acceptable date. It was agreed to discuss this date with David and Marian.

Bill asked for some instructional and/or informational articles about square dancing to be submitted for the newsletter. Kris volunteered to write an article about "Hoedown Etiquette." We hope more submissions will follow. Bill also stated that he would print a copy of the Convention application in the next newsletter for the Club's benefit.

A major topic of discussion was tossed out at this point. The everpresent "Club Insurance." David L. did an admirable job in contacting the Associated Square Dancers of Superior California to obtain info. The Association is sending David an information/application packet. Dues for insurance are #4.00 per person per year. This would include all dues

paying Club members. We would be required to sent two representatives to two Association board meetings per year. As soon as David receives the application, the Board will meet to finalize this as the application is due no later than December 31, 1990. David will also do a write up for the December newsletter.

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\$10 a month
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Newsletter only: \$12 a year

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Our handsome treasurer, Rick, reported that the treasury is \$2704.00 Rich!

Two new items of discussion were put before the Board. The 1st was a major topic. Kris Corbridge expressed that since the Club has now gotten so large, it may be time to consider hiring a caller to teach our members. The Board felt that with the number of members we have, dues would probably cover the monthly cost of a teacher. Kris volunteered to talk with Joe Kula about possible callers for next year.

Another new topic of discussion was changing our club shirts in some manner. It was expressed that they are "hot" (we all agreed), and perhaps there was something new we could do.

David L. has graciously agreed to head up a committee on other possibilities for our club shirt.

The meeting adjourned at 9:00 pm. The next meeting will be January 2, 1991 at Bill and Michael's.

Respectfully Submitted,

Mary Jo Margaret Theresa Semmelmayer, Secretary Extraordinaire

Wanted: New Class members to help set up the room at the beginning of the Basic/Mainstream Class (turn on lights and foldup and move the tables out of the way).

Wanted: Plus Class members to help clean up (set up tables and collect cups, cans, plates, etc).

General Board Meeting

November 20, 1990

At 8:45 p.m. George Fox called the meeting to order. Forty-nine members of Capital City Squares were in attendance, enough for a quorum. A reading of the minutes was unanimously waived, and the Board of Directors members present were introduced.

Dues are due. We have \$2,124.00 in the treasury. Dues cover hoedowns if we don't break even, equipment, retreats if we don't break even, party favors (coffee, cake, etc.), and the newsletter and postage.

Upcoming events are covered in the newsletter, but the following were suggested and voted on:

- Leather theme for December 8th Hoedown — motion made, seconded, failed
- Ground hog theme for the February 2 hoedown — motion made, seconded, failed
- 10th Anniversary theme for Russian River Retreat motion made, seconded, unanimous
- June 8th Graduation Hoedown
- Convention in Miami 24
 attending so far.
 Committees will be formed to
 plan and organize these
 events. The point was made
 that if you vote yes to please
 plan to work on the commit-

tees, including outside club functions.

Children's Receiving Home:

- Donation will be made of \$300.00 in the memory of Joel and Roy.
- At the December 8th hoedown there will be a money tree to add to the clubs donation and members are encouraged to bring a gift for a child. Motion made, seconded, unanimous.

Insurance

David Levy is looking into this. Forms are being sent by Insurance company; our bylaws and other information required will be sent to Insurers.

CCS at Gay Functions:

- Freedom Fair motion made, seconded, unanimous
- Rainbow Festival motion made, seconded, 23 yes, 1 no, 6 abstain
- All other gay functions motion mate, seconded, 27 yes, 2 abstain

George concluded the meeting at 8:19 p.m.

M Kenric Brown



New Horizons for Capital City Squares

Square dancing is having a heyday in Sacramento. Evidence of this popularity is seen in the size and strength of our club. Our roster includes almost 80 members and seems to grow every year. Our Board of Directors recognizes that, as we enter our tenth year in Sacramento, there is a need for our club to be protected from litigation that could arise from an accident that could occur at one of our classes or special events. For this reason the board asked me to investigate the possibility of Capital City Squares joining the Associated Square Dancers of Superior California (ASDSC).

Located in Roseville, ASDSC is one of 22 similar square dance associations in California. ASDSC is composed of 43 dance clubs in the Sacramento area. Formed in 1954, the association promotes square dancing, round dancing, contra dancing, and clogging, and offers member clubs a wide variety of programs and events in that pursuit. Another benefit of association membership is that it offers insurance to member clubs for their facilities and individual dancers. Still other benefits include being listed in the ASDSC directory, the publicizing of our club and events, and the opportunity to participate in their blood reserve fund program. The cost to club members is \$4.00 per person/per year. These dues are payable each December 1st for the following calendar year.

In order for Capital City Squares to become a Full Member Club, our Board of Directors must apply for ASDSC membership. The application process involves several steps. First, we must, as a club, decide to apply for membership. This decision is easy because the board agreed to pay the first years dues from funds we already have. Next, we have to fill out the application itself which includes: submitting copies of our bylaws, disclosing the names and addresses of our elected officers and callers/instructors, choosing delegates and alternates to attend ASDSC meetings, disclosing the names and addresses of all dues-paid members of Capital City Squares, disclosing the dates, times, and locations of our upcoming classes and special events, submitting our calendar of events for the ASDSC calendar, and deciding if we will participate in their blood reserve fund program. Then we submit the dues along with the application papers to the ASDSC membership chairman for approval. Finally, the delegates must attend an ASDSC meeting to present our application in person. If Capital City Squares is approved we will become an Associate Member Club with all rights and privileges for the first six months and then a Full Member Club with full voting rights.

This may sound like a lot, and it is, but this entire process is standard procedure for most of the serious square dancing clubs in our area. We will have a full year to evaluate the benefits of membership and can amend our bylaws to include provisions for ASDSC membership during 1991, if we so desire. Our Board of

Directors feels that this is an important move for our club at this time. We will be proceeding with the application process during the month of December, so if you have questions, please contact myself or any board member.

Also, if you are interested in serving as an ASDSC delegate or alternate, please contact me right away.

David Levy



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Suggestions for gifts are as follows:

Boys/Girls 2-4 — any Fisher-Price Play School pre-school toys, books, or games, keeping indoor play/bedtimes in mind.

Boys 5-11 — "Remote Control Cars, Legos-Lincoln Logs-Building Blocks, Models, Nerf balls, Ninja Turtles-Batman-G.I. Joe-Simpsons, Coloring/Crafts, Sports Equipment, "Electronic Pocket Games, Watches-Wallets, Baseball Cards, Games-Jr. models.

Girls 5-11 — Barbie and other popular dolls and accessories, Play Jewelry-Vanity Sets-Makeup, Dishes-Kitchen Play Sets, Stuffed Animals, Legos etc., Coloring/Crafts, Purses-Wallets, Comb-Brush Sets, Games.

Boys 12–17 — *Walkmans, Clock Radios, Gift Certificates for Tower, Bass, Best, *Calculators, *35mm Camera–Film Nintendo Games, Watches–Wallets, Cologne–After Shave, Games, Clothing (Fashionable)

Girls 12–17 — Most of the above for boys, plus Perfume, Jewelry, Curling Iron.

For all ages: Tickets to Marine World, Marriott's, Bowling, Theaters, Miniature Golf; Sports equipment; *V.H.S Movies

* Receipts for some items are appreciated due to possible malfunction or duplication.

The Children's actual "Christmas Wish Lists" are available. If you

would like to provide gifts for a specific child, feel free to contact MaryAnne Wood, Executive Director, Children's Receiving Home of Sacramento, 3555 Auburn Blvd., Sacramento, CA 95621, phone 482–2370.

In any case, be sure to have a happy holiday season. Michael and I will think of you all while we are soaking up the sun at Waikiki's Queen's Surf Beach!



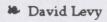


December Birthdays

- 4 Terryl Todd
- 5 Jim Sneed
- 10 Dean Willis
- 22 Dameon Walker
- 23 GregFriel
- 27 Kas Christopher
- 28 Rick Arts
- 30 David Evans

Fashion Victims

Do you know about our club shirts? Are you happy? I have agreed to head up an inquiry of the membership regarding our club attire. Comments, written if possible, will help us make a recommendation to the board about club members' feelings on this delicate matter. If pen and ink fail you, please whisper in my ear when I ask.





Coming Events

December

- 2 A-2 Dance (Anne Uebelacker), Midnight Squares, Live Oak School (Diamond at 18th San Francisco
- 3–5 Dancin' and Chancin' in Vegas, not an IAGSDC event but singles are welcome, Sands Expo and Convention Center, Las Vegas, NV
- 7 WSD Christmas Dance (Paul Waters), !st Unitarian Church (O'Farrell & Franklin), San Francisco
- 8 Workshops/Potluck/Hoedown (Joe Kula), Capital City Squares, Sacramento
- Last chance to square dance in 1990. No dancing December 25 or January 1. Dancing resumes January 8. (Even though there shouldbe no dancing in Sacramento while Bill and Michael are in Hawaii from December 14 to 30)

January 1991

18-20 Swing Thru Arizona, Desert Valley Squares, Phoenix

February

- Workshops/Potluck/Hoedown (Jett Roberts), Capital City Squares, Sacramento
- 15–17 6th Annual Rain Festival Fly–In (Pete Diver & Ray Brendzy), Puddletown Dancers,
 Seattle
- 16 A-2 Dance (George Monaghan), Prime 8's, Sacramento

March

- 1-3 Scoot Back to Toronto (Joe & Anne Uebelacker) Triangle Squares, Toronto, ON
- 9 Fifth Anniversary Party, Gold Rush, San Francisco
- 16 WSD 9th Anniversary Dance (Paul Infanti), San Francisco
- 27-29 Rio Cucheros Fly-In, Rocky Mountain
 Rainbeaus & The Wilde Bunch, Walsenburg
 CO TENTATIVE

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6 WSD Dance (Mike DeSisto), WSD, San Francisco 19-21 10th Anniversary Celebration & Russian River Retreat (Harlan Kerr), Capital City Squares, Fife's, Guerneville

May

- 3–5 Rehoboth Beach Fly–In, Chesapeake Squares, Baltimore
- 3-5 Spring Round Up Fly-In, Squares Across the Border, Vancouver
- 24–26 38th Golden State Round Up, annual Northern CA Sq Dancers Assoc convention, Oakland Convention Center (next to Oakland Hyatt Regency)

June

- 8 Graduation Workshops/Potluck/Hoedown, Capital City Squares, Sacramento
- 14-16 Cast a Shadow in the Sun, 8th IAGSDC Convention, Miazami

August

- 2–4 Geoduck Fly–In, Puddletown Squares,
- 23–25 English Bay Round Up & Boat Cruise, Squares Across the Border, Vancouver

September

6–8 Fly–In (combined with Southern California Regional Gay Rodeo), Finest City Squares, San Diego

Late October

First Fly-In, Alamo City Wranglers, San Antonio, TX — TENTATIVE

November

- 8–10 Annual Fly–In, DC Lambda Squares, Washington, DC
- 29-D1 Anniversary Dance & Fly-In, Squares
 Across the Border, Vancouver

March 1992

13-15 10th Anniversary Celebration & Fly-In, Western Star Dancers, San Francisco

July

3-5 Diamonds in the Desert, 9th IAGSDC Convention, Albuquerque



BEGINNERS CLASS LEVEL DANCING WITH MAINSTREAM AND PLUS STAR TIPS

William Land School 12th & V Streets Sacramento, California

1:00 to 2:30 - Mainstream Class Level Workshop (\$3.00)

3:00 to 4:30 - Plus Class Level Workshop (\$3.00)

5:00 to 6:30 - Potluck Dinner

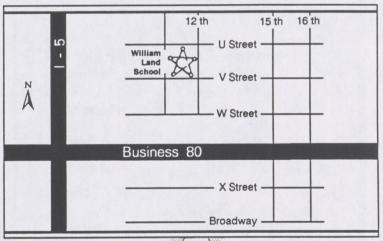
7:00 to 9:30 - Hoedown
Alternating Class Level and Plus Tips
with A-1 Star Tips (\$5.00)

Special - \$10.00 for the whole day!

Kitchen facilities are not available. Out-of-Towners, please bring salads and desserts that do not require refrigeration or heating. Locals, please bring hot main dishes from home.

For more information call: George (916) 447-2217 or Cindy (916) 723-7727

Come On - Let's Dance!





December 1990

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
MS Live Oak	Prime 8's	CCS Class night	ECR 7:30-9:30	TNT's C1 Class	WSD Christmas	CCS MS/Plus
School SF FCD Club Night 7.00-9.00 The Corral SF	7.00-9.00 Wm Land School WSD 7:30-9:30 EVRC SF	6:30-9:30 Wm Land School FCD Class Night 7:00-9:00 Live Oak School	St. Andrews Church Palo Alto	7-9 Roseville FCD Club Night 7:00-9:00 The Corral SF	Dance (Paul Waters) 1st Unitarian, 7:30-10:30, \$6	Workshops, Potluck, & Hoedown, 1-9:30, Wm Land School, \$10 all day; \$5
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23	24	25	26	27	28	29
Claire's Potluck for MS and WSD, 117 Albion, 11 am-?						
30	31					

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